Yojana (SGRY), the number of mandays generated per month per labourer is not monitored by the Ministry of Rural Development.

(b) No such proposal is under consideration of the Ministry of Rural Development.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Roads connecting villages in Uttar Pradesh

4936. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to connect the roads of rural areas to the main cities in the State of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the time by when it would be done;

(c) the total length of roads in Kms. in the State proposed to be constructed by the Government during the Tenth Plan; and

(d) the total amount likely to be spent thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI U. V. KRISHNAM RAJU) : (a) and (b) Government have launched the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in December, 2000 with a view to giving connectivity in the form of an All-whether road providing an outlet to a market centre, taluka headquarter, block headquarter or main roads. About 1.60 lakh eligible Unconnected Habitations in the rural areas are expected to be covered in such a way that Unconnected Habitations with a population of 1000 persons and above are to be covered in three years and all Unconnected Habitations with a population of 500 persons and above by the end of the Tenth Plan Period (2007).

(c) and(d) The total length of the roads to be constructed is determined from year to year on the basis of budgetary allocation. For 2003-04, an allocation of Rs. 315 crores has been made for UP out of the total annual allocation under PMGSY. The State Government is proposing to take up about 4450 Kms. of roads.

BPL persons

†4937. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether any survey has been conducted in the country to identify people living Below Poverty Line;

(b) if so, the State-wise outcome of the said survey; and

(c) the number of persons living below the poverty line in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh and whether this rate has increased over the past years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State-wise number of families living Below the Poverty Line (BPL) in rural areas, as identified through the BPL Census conducted in 1997 is given in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below)

(c) The number of persons living Below Poverty Line in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra, as estimated by the Planning Commission for the years 1993-94 and 1999-2000 are given below :

(In lakh)

	1993-94	1999-2000
Madhya Pradesh (including Chhattisgarh)	298.52	298.54
Maharashtra	305.22	227.99

Statement

Results of the BPL Census – 1997

Sl. No.	State/UT	Total No. of Rural Families	% of BPL Families
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	10484028	39.91
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	102852	78.39
3.	Assam	3607241	60.00
4.	Bihar	18933813	49.64

1	2	3	4
5.	Goa	135816	17.01
6.	Gujarat	5587768	35.45
7.	Haryana	2074615	24.25
8.	Himachal Pradesh	1036996	27.59
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	1047251	57.92
10.	Karnataka	6479832	33.99
11.	Kerala	4714295	36.56
12.	Madhya Pradesh	11651082	43.87
13.	Maharashtra	11010022	35.07
14.	Manipur	365670	67.54
15.	Meghalaya	282362	55.48
16.	Mizoram	110570	67.07
17.	Nagaland $$	146615	60.39
18.	Orissa* $$	6790202	65.47
19.	Punjab	2330725	27.90
20.	Rajasthan	6768541	30.99
21.	Sikkim	NR	NR
22.	Tamil Nadu	9388118	29.16
23.	Tripura	595397	66.81
24.	Uttar Pradesh	20430204	36.91
25.	West Bengal	11076686	44.40
26.	A & N Island	30221	21.25
27.	D & N Haveli	26237	65.67
28.	Daman and Diu	10735	3.68
29.	Lakshadweep	8625	10.26
30.	Pondicherry	133555	47.37
	TOTAL	135360074	41.05

NR – Not Reported

* – Provisional

$$ – Rural Households